

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, the specification has been amended to provide the continuing information required under 37 CFR § 1.72 is provided.

This Continuation application presents new claims 1-9 for examination. It is noted that these claims 1-9 correspond to claims 15-17 originally presented in the grandparent application serial number 10/152,727. In the grandparent application, the independent claims 15 and 17 were amended based upon a telephone interview conducted with the Examiner to include further limitations for placing the application in condition for allowance prior to an issuance of any first Office Action on the merits in that case. Accordingly, these claims are re-presented in this Continuation application for examination on the merits. Inasmuch as the Applicants believe that these claims are allowable over the cited art of record in the various parent and grandparent applications.

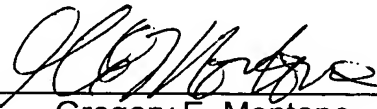
In view of the foregoing, entry of the present amendments and examination of the above-identified application on the merits in due course, are respectfully requested.

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Kindly charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayment of fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 500.37400CV4).

Respectfully submitted,

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